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**BY EM/ECF**

The Honorable Joseph J. Farnan, Jr.  
United States District Court  
844 North King Street  
Wilmington, Delaware 19801

Re: MBIA Ins. Corp. ("MBIA") and Wells Fargo Bank  
N.A. ("Wells Fargo") v. Royal, C.A. No. 02-1294-JJF

Charles A. Stanziale, Jr. Chapter 7 Trustee of Student Finance  
Corp. v. Pepper Hamilton, et al., C.A. No. 04-1551-JJF

Charles A. Stanziale, Jr., Chapter 7 Trustee of Student Finance  
Corp. v. McGladrey & Pullen LLP, et al., C.A. No. 05-72-JJF

Royal v. Pepper Hamilton, et al., C.A. No. 05-165-JJF

Dear Judge Farnan:

We represent plaintiffs and counterclaim defendant Wells Fargo in Civil Action No. 02-1294. We write regarding the letters to the Court dated April, 14, April 15, April 28, May 6 and May 9, 2005 seeking a joint status conference to consider the schedules for all four of the proceedings referred to above.

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The Honorable Joseph J. Farnan, Jr.

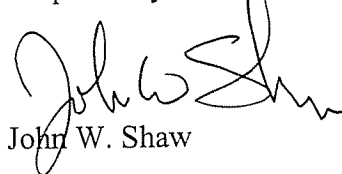
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As the Court is aware, all of the claims asserted by Wells Fargo, as well as by MBIA, in Case No. 02-1294, have already been adjudicated, as have most of Royal's counterclaims against those parties. The only remaining claim involving either Wells Fargo or MBIA is Royal's counterclaim against Wells Fargo for alleged breach of contract.

We respectfully submit that a joint conference with the Court to consider a schedule for all four of these actions is premature. We request that before any such conference, consistent with FRCP Rules 16 and 26(f), the various parties to these actions be ordered to confer regarding a proposed joint schedule that takes into account the different procedural posture of these cases. We believe proceeding this way makes more sense because it will narrow the issues to be raised and decided by the Court.

Respectfully submitted,



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